

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A faceplate indicating operation status of an apparatus, comprising:

5 a bezel; and
a light-pipe,
wherein the bezel and the light-pipe are integrated into one piece.

10 2. The faceplate of claim 1, wherein said piece is made of an optically clear plastic.

15 3. The faceplate of claim 2, wherein the plastic is one selected from a group consisting of polycarbonate, SAN (ABS), and acrylic.

4. The faceplate of claim 1, wherein the faceplate is injection-molded or cast.

20 5. The faceplate of claim 1, wherein the light-pipe comprises a lens and a light guide, wherein the lens focuses a light from a light source toward the light guide.

25 6. The faceplate of claim 5, wherein the lens is shaped so as to collect and focus the light within a boundary of the light guide.

30 7. The faceplate of claim 5, wherein a surface of the light guide comprises a plurality of lenses to promote diffusion of the light.

8. The faceplate of claim 5, wherein an ink is applied on a surface of the light guide to promote diffusion of the light.

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9. The faceplate of claim 5, wherein a diffusing lens is formed on a surface of the light guide to promote illumination of the light.

10. The faceplate of claim 1, wherein the faceplate comprises a plurality of light-pipes.

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